



MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
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**MINUTES
of the
GOVERNING BOARD
of the
MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

March 26, 2004

I. Call to Order.

The special meeting of the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority was called to order by Chairperson Michael Berger, at 1:36 p.m. on March 26, 2004 at the Conejo Recreation and Park District, 403 West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, California and at Franklin Canyon Park, Sooky Goldman Nature Center, 2600 Franklin Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills.

II. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Ed Hayduk, Jerome C. Daniel, George Lange, Vice Chair, and Michael Berger, Chair. Quorum present.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Laurie Collins, Chief Staff Counsel; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning; Walt Young, Chief Ranger and Chief of Operations; Stephanie Landregan, Chief of Landscape Architecture and Design; Barbara Romero, Special Projects Manager, and Tracy Dockery, Acting Board Secretary.

III. Public testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda.

No public comment was made.

IV. Consideration of adoption of Ordinance No. 01-2004 regarding park rules and regulations, waive first reading and introduce Ordinance No. 01-2004, "An Ordinance of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority amending the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Park Ordinance, and prescribing the punishment for violations thereof." Ordinance No. 01-2004 amends existing Ordinance No. 01-2003(a).

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Ordinance No. 01-2004 was unanimously adopted.

V. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a sole source contract with ARTScorpsLA for community workshops and artistic services on the Vista Hermosa Park Project, Los Angeles.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Lange.

Comments were made by the Special Projects Manager.

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A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-36 was unanimously adopted.

VI. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a sole source contract with Art Share Los Angeles for community workshops and artistic services on the Vista Hermosa Park Project, Los Angeles.

The Chief of Landscape Architecture and Design presented the staff report on this item.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel.

Comments were made by the Chief of Landscape Architecture and Design.

Questions were propounded by the Executive Officer.

Comments were made by the Chief of Landscape Architecture and Design.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-37 was unanimously adopted.

VII. Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps for construction of Marsh Street Park, Los Angeles.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Hayduk, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-38 was unanimously adopted.

VIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Artshare Los Angeles for community workshops and artistic services at Marsh Street Park, Los Angeles.

The Chief of Landscape Architecture and Design presented the staff report on this item.

Comments were made by Mr. Daniel.

Questions were propounded by the Executive Officer.

Comments were made by the Chief of Landscape Architecture and Design.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Lange, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-39 was unanimously adopted.

IX. Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with North East Trees for outreach and planning services for Marsh Street Park, Los Angeles.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-40 was unanimously adopted.

X. Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Kenneth Kietzer for plant eradication, coordination services, and biological surveys for the Lower Topanga Arundo and Non-native Plant Eradication project, Topanga Canyon.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Lange.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

On motion of Mr. Lange, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-41 was unanimously adopted.

XI. Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Nathaniel Cox for plant eradication, coordination services, and biological surveys for the Lower Topanga Arundo and Non-Native Plant Eradication project, Topanga Canyon.

The Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning presented the staff report on this item.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

A roll-call was administered.

On motion of Mr. Lange, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-42 was unanimously adopted.

XII. Consideration of resolution amending resolution No. 03-151 to include acquisition of a portion of APN 2385-023-015 in lieu of a portion of APN 2385-023-014, Coldwater Canyon Lane, Los Angeles.

Comments were made by Mr. Hayduk.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

A roll-call was administered.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-43 was unanimously adopted.

XIII. Statements, questions, and directions to staff pursuant to Government Code § 54954.2(a).

No comments were made.

XIV. Closed Session

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Sections 54956.8 and 54956.9 of the Government Code. Confidential memoranda related to these items may be considered such closed session discussions. Conference with legal counsel. Number of cases: 1. (1) *City of Malibu v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.*

No closed session was held.

XV. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

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The Chair announced that the next meeting would be held on April 7, 2004.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP
Executive Officer

Michael Berger
Chair